

Tryon Creek Watershed

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SW Terwilliger Boulevard Sewer Project Construction Update

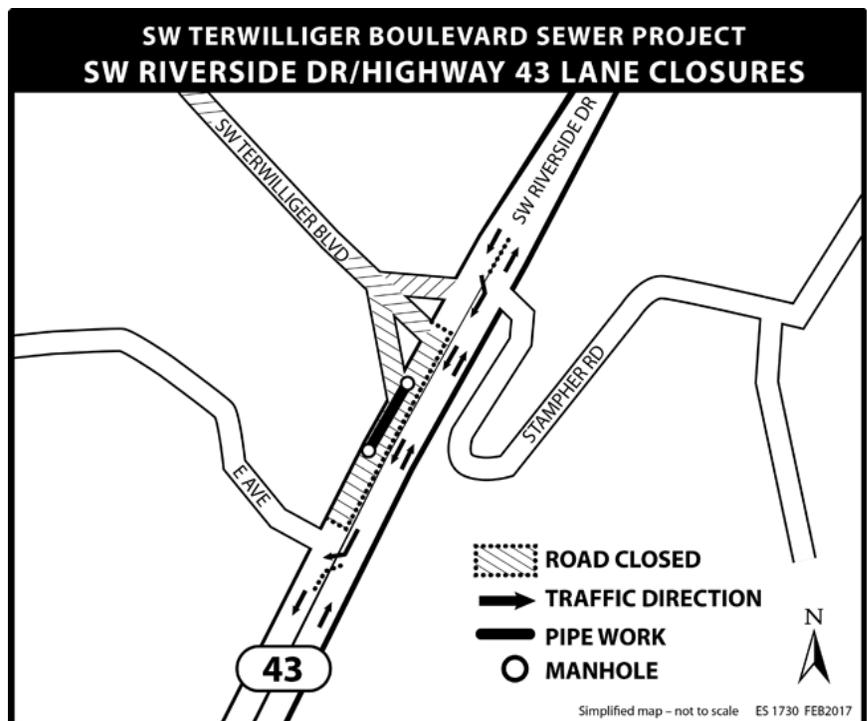
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Environmental Services continues construction on a project to install 7,600 feet of eight-inch sewer in Terwilliger Boulevard from SW Northgate Avenue to Highway 43. Crews will install one 48-inch manhole, one 60-inch manhole, and about 80 feet of pipe in Highway 43 between SW Terwilliger Blvd and SW E Avenue (see map). The new Terwilliger sewer will connect to the 30-inch Tryon Interceptor sewer, which carries sewage to the Tryon Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant in Lake Oswego. This improvement to the wastewater collection system will help protect water quality, public health, and the environment.

Developments of Note

- Our contractor has installed about 3,000 linear feet of sewer pipe and nine manholes on SW Terwilliger Boulevard. Our contractor has also installed several service connections between properties and the public sewer.
- Soupy soils and poor underground conditions have challenged progress. Project engineers are obtaining specialized equipment to complete the current portion on SW Terwilliger, south of SW Northgate Avenue.
- Crews will continue installing sewer pipe and service connections on SW Terwilliger through late March.
- In late-March or early-April, **crews will work in Highway 43 for 24 hours a day, seven days a week** to complete the highway phase as safely and efficiently as possible. Work has not yet been scheduled. Notification will be provided two weeks in advance of this work on roadside electronic message boards and to the email update list.



Highway 43 Traffic Control

- Highway 43 will be reduced to one northbound lane and one southbound lane (see map). Work could take up to two months in order to install and connect the sewer under Highway 43.
- There will be traffic delays during construction hours. Please use an alternate route if possible.



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Over one-third of Portland's 2,500 miles of sewer pipes are more than 80 years old. Projects to replace or repair aging sewers are important for protecting water quality, public health, and the environment. Learn more at www.portlandoregon.gov/bes.

What to Expect During Construction

- Work hours will typically be 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The contractor may schedule work on Saturdays as well.
- The exception to standard work hours will be while crews are working in Highway 43. To expedite the work, crews may work 24 hours a day, seven days a week for up to two months.
- Construction creates noise, vibration and dust, and disrupts normal neighborhood activity.
- Sewer, water, and other public utilities will remain in service during construction.
- There will be traffic delays during construction hours.
- A city construction inspector will be on site during work hours. Inspectors typically wear a City of Portland safety vest and a hard hat.

For More Information

For more information, and to sign up for the email update list for updates, go to www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/swterwilliger.

You're Invited to the annual Southwest Watersheds Open House!

Wednesday, April 26, 2017
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Multnomah Arts Center
Room 29
7688 SW Capitol Highway

Find out about the progress that Environmental Services and the community are making to restore watersheds in Southwest Portland and how we work together to improve water quality, enhance wildlife habitat and more. View project designs, timelines, and partners.

For more information on the Southwest Watersheds Open House, contact Becky Tillson at 503-823-7097, Becky.Tillson@portlandoregon.gov and visit www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/watersheds.

What We've Heard from You

Several neighbors have asked when the project will be complete. Completion dates are unpredictable because there are many factors that can change the schedule including conditions underground, weather, traffic impacts, subcontractor schedules and availability of materials. To minimize the duration of the project, our contractor is using expedited construction methods such as Horizontal Directional Drilling, extended work hours, and multiple crews when possible. Although early completion is our goal, neighbors should be prepared for construction to last until August 2017.